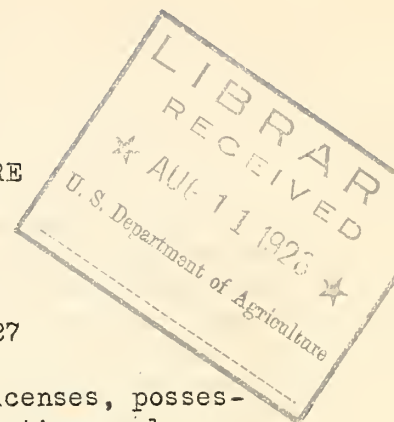


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ABSTRACT OF FUR LAWS FOR SEASON 1926-27

(For fuller information on seasons, prohibited methods, licenses, possession and sale, shipment and export, propagation and bounties apply to the U. S. Department of Agriculture for Farmers' Bulletin No. 1515, "Laws Relating to Fur Animals for the Season 1926-27.")

ALABAMA: Beaver, otter, bear, raccoon, fox, opossum, mink, muskrat, (trapping) Nov. 1-Feb. 28. (Fur animals may be hunted with dog or gun Sept. 1-Feb. 28.)

ALASKA: District 1. Beaver (Alaska Peninsula only), May 1-May 31. Muskrat, Dec. 16-April 30. Land otter, mink, weasel (ermine), east of longitude 138 degrees, Jan 1-Mar. 1. West of longitude 138 degrees (see exception), Dec. 16-Mar. 31. Exception: Land otter, weasel, (ermine) in Kodiak--Adognak Islands group, Dec. 1-Feb. 15. Red, cross, and silver foxes, lynx, Dec. 1-Feb. 15. Blue fox (on Aleutian Islands Reservations only), Dec. 1-Feb. 15. Black bear (including its brown and blue, or glacier bear, color variations), Oct. 1-May 31. Wolf, coyote, wolverene, marmot, no close season.

District 2. Beaver, May 1-May 31. Muskrat, north summit Alaska Range and Ahklun Mountains (see exception), Mar. 15-May 31. Exception: In drainage Tanana River and tributaries, Mar. 15-May 15. South summit Alaska Range and Ahklun Mountains, Dec. 16-Apr. 30. Land otter, mink, weasel, (ermine) (see exception) Nov. 16-Mar. 1. Exception: South summit Alaska Range and Ahklun Mountains, Dec. 1-Mar. 1. Foxes (blue foxes, north summit Alaska Range and Ahklun Mountains only - south, no open season), lynx, Nov. 16-Mar. 1. Black bear (including its brown and blue, or glacier bear, color variations) (see exception), Sept. 1-June 15. Exception: South summit Alaska Range and Ahklun Mountains, Oct. 1-May 31. Polar bear, wolf, coyote, wolverene, marmot, no close season.

District 3. Beaver, May 1-May 31. Muskrat, April 1-May 31. Mink, land otter, weasel (ermine), fox, lynx, Nov. 16-Mar. 15. Black bear (including its brown and blue, or glacier bear, color variation), polar bear, wolf, coyote, wolverene, marmot, no close season.

Throughout Territory. Beaver (except as above), marten, sea otter, no open season. Bear (large brown and grizzly), Sept. 1-June 20.

Prohibited methods. Unlawful to take or kill land fur animals with poison, by use of trap or device known as the "krips", steel bear trap, or any other trap with jaws having a spread exceeding 9 inches, by aid or use of a shotgun, fire, jacklight, pit lamp, searchlight, or other artificial light, or (except polar bear) by aid of a dog. No fur animal may be taken from its home or den, by digging, smoking, or the use of chemicals and no home, house, den, or runway of a beaver or muskrat may be injured or destroyed.

Bag limits. Three large brown and grizzly bears, 20 beaver a season.

Beaver may be taken May 1-May 31 in Fur District No. 1 on the Alaska Peninsula, in Fur District No. 2, west of Alaska Railroad from Anchorage to Nenana and southwest of Tanana River from Nenana to Fort Gibbon, and west of a line from Fort Gibbon to summit of Endicott Mountains following divide between streams entering the Yukon above and below Fort Gibbon, and in Fur District No. 3 in the drainage of the Noatak, Kobuk, Selawik, and Buckland Rivers. Limit, 20 a season. Skins must be sealed by commissioner, game warden, or authorized person within 90 days under affidavit of lawful taking or acquisition.

ARIZONA: Fur and predatory animals, no close season.

ARKANSAS: Raccoon, opossum, Nov. 15-Feb. 1. Beaver, bear, otter (see exceptions), Dec. 1, 1928. Exceptions: Bear (15 days), Nov. 15-19, Dec. 26-30, and Jan. 10-14, inclusive; and beaver and otter, Nov. 15-Jan. 31 in Chicot and Desha Counties. Other fur animals, Dec. 1-Jan. 31, except in Chicot and Desha Counties, Nov. 15-Jan. 31. In Clay County, Oct. 1-Mar. 1. In Chicot and Desha Counties fur animals may only be taken on own or leased land or land adjacent to cultivated crops. Limit, one bear a season.

CALIFORNIA: Black or brown bear, ring-tail cat, coon, pine marten, fisher, wolverene, mink, skunk, river otter, fox, Oct. 15-Feb. 28. Seal and sea lion (in Game District 19, no open season) unprotected. Beaver (see exception) and sea otter, no open season. Exception: Beaver in Fish and Game Districts 1, 2, 3, no close season.

COLORADO: Beaver, no open season. All other fur animals, no close season.

CONNECTICUT: Muskrat, Nov. 1-Mar. 31. Raccoon, Nov. 1-Jan. 31. Fox, weasel, no close season. Skunk, otter, mink, and other fur animals, Nov. 1-Mar. 15.

DELAWARE: Skunk, mink, otter, muskrat, Dec. 1-Mar. 10. Fox, Oct. 1-Apr. 30. Raccoon, opossum, Oct. 15-Jan. 15. Owners may kill foxes at any time found destroying poultry, and other fur animals may be killed when destroying property. In New Castle County, on embanked meadows, muskrats may be taken from Dec. 1-Mar. 20.

FLORIDA: Beaver, otter, Nov. 1-Jan. 31. Other fur animals (see exceptions), Nov. 20-Feb. 15. Exceptions: In Brevard and Volusia Counties, Dec. 1-Feb. 1. In Collier, Dade, Glades, Highlands, and Monroe Counties, Nov. 20-Feb. 28. In Hendry County, Dec. 1-Feb. 28. In Orange, Osceola, and Seminole Counties, Dec. 1-Jan. 31. In Walton County, Nov. 20-Feb. 20.

GEORGIA: Beaver, mink, otter, bear, muskrat, raccoon, Nov. 20-Feb. 28. Fox (red, gray), Sept. 1-Jan. 31. Other fur animals, no close season. Fur animals destroying property may be killed at any time.

HAWAII: Hawaii has no wild animals valuable for fur. There are no restrictions on the propagation of fur animals except that mongooses and rabbits may not be kept or bred. Pet rabbits may be raised if kept in confinement.

IDAHO: Beaver, no open season. Marten, fisher, otter, mink, raccoon, fox, Dec. 1-Mar. 1. Muskrats in Bear Lake and Caribou Counties, Mar. 1-Apr. 13. In rest of State (except in irrigated districts, no close season), Dec. 1-Mar. 1. Other fur and predatory animals, no close season.

ILLINOIS: Otter, raccoon, skunk, opossum, fox in northern zone, Nov. 1-Feb. 15. In central zone, Nov. 15-Feb. 1. In southern zone, Nov. 15-Jan. 15. Mink, muskrat in northern zone, Nov. 1-Mar. 1. In central zone, Nov. 15-Mar. 1. In southern zone, Nov. 15-Feb. 15. Other fur animals, no close season.

INDIANA: Raccoon, fox, opossum, skunk, mink, muskrat, Nov. 10-Feb. 10. Beaver, otter, no open season.

IOWA: Beaver, mink, otter, Nov. 15-Mar. 15. Raccoon, skunk, Nov. 1-Jan. 31. Muskrat, no open season. Other fur animals, no close season.

KANSAS: Muskrat, skunk, mink, opossum, civet cat, Dec. 2-Feb. 28. Raccoon, Nov. 2-Jan. 31. Beaver, otter, no open season.

KENTUCKY: Beaver, mink, raccoon, fox, otter, opossum, skunk, Nov. 15-Dec. 31. Other fur animals, no close season. Raccoon, opossum, skunk, and mink may also be taken with gun or dog from Oct. 1 to Feb. 15.

LOUISIANA: Bear, Oct. 15-Jan. 5. Muskrat, mink, otter, raccoon, skunk, opossum, fox, weasel, Nov. 20-Feb. 5. Beaver, no open season. Wolf, wildcat, cougar, coyote, alligator, no close season. Limit, one bear a day, 5 a season. Unlawful to trap bear or fox.

MAINE: Muskrat (see exception) Oct. 16-May 14. Exception: In Androscoggin, Cumberland, Kennebec, Knox, Lincoln, Sagadahoc, Waldo, and York Counties, Dec. 1-Apr. 30. Beaver, no open season. Bear, bobcat, Canada lynx (loup cervier), weasel, no close season. Raccoon, skunk, fox, and other fur animals, Oct. 16-Feb. 28.

MARYLAND: Otter, muskrat, Jan. 1-Mar. 15. Other fur animals unprotected except locally, as follows:

Raccoon: in Allegany County, Sept. 1-Mar. 31; in Anne Arundel and Prince Georges Counties, Oct. 1-Jan. 31; in Baltimore County, Oct. 1-Feb. 28; in Carroll County, Oct. 1-Jan. 1; in Caroline County, Sept. 15-Mar. 31; in Dorchester County, Nov. 10-Mar. 15; in Frederick County, Nov. 15-Mar. 1; in Harford County, Nov. 1-Jan. 1; in Kent, Queen Anne, and Somerset Counties, Jan. 1-Mar. 31; in Montgomery County, Oct. 15-Jan. 14; in Wicomico and Worcester Counties, Oct. 1-Feb. 1.

Opossum: In Allegany County, Sept. 1-Mar. 31; in Baltimore County, Oct. 1-Feb. 28; in Carroll County, Oct. 1-Jan. 1; in Frederick County, Nov. 15-Mar. 1; in Montgomery County, Oct. 15-Jan. 14; in Washington County, Dec. 1-Mar. 31; in Wicomico and Worcester Counties, Oct. 1-Feb. 1.

Mink: In Frederick County, Nov. 15-Mar. 1; in Washington County, Dec. 1-Mar. 31; in Worcester County, Dec. 15-Mar. 1.

Fox: In Frederick County, Nov. 15-Mar. 1; in Caroline and Carroll Counties, no open season; in Worcester County (chase with dogs), Sept. 1-Mar. 9.

All fur animals (except as above mentioned): In Frederick County, Nov. 15-Mar. 1; in Harford County (trapping), Nov. 15-Dec. 24.

MASSACHUSETTS: Mink, muskrat, otter, skunk, raccoon (see exceptions) Nov. 1-Mar. 1. Exception: Raccoon may also be hunted with dog and gun during October. Fur animals in Dukes and Nantucket Counties, no close season. Other fur animals, no close season. Limit, 25 raccoons a season.

MICHIGAN: Beaver, otter, fisher, marten, no open season. Mink, muskrat, Feb. 1-Mar. 31. Bear, Nov. 15-Nov. 30. Skunk, Nov. 1-Mar. 31. Raccoon, Oct. 2-Dec. 31. Wolf, coyote, fox, lynx, wild cat, no close season. Limit, one bear a season.

MINNESOTA: Fisher, skunk, Nov. 15-Mar. 1. Beaver, otter, raccoon, muskrat, no open season, except under regulations commissioner may permit taking of muskrats in shallow lakes or sloughs when it may be shown they are in immediate danger of freezing or starvation. Bear, mink, weasel, wolf, wild cat, lynx, and fox, no close season. A limited number of beaver may be taken under special license from commissioner.

MISSISSIPPI: Bear, Nov. 1-Feb. 28; Otter, mink, skunk, raccoon, muskrat, opossum, weasel (trapping), Dec. 1-Feb. 1. Beaver and fox, no open season. Wild cat, no close season. It is unlawful to trap bear, to remove a fox from the ground or a tree in any manner, or needlessly to destroy beaver houses or dams. Fur animals protected when driven from their natural habitat by high water or fire. Trapping devices must be inspected and contents removed every 36 hours. Limit, one bear a season. Unlawful to trap bear.

MISSOURI: All fur animals, Dec. 1-Jan. 31.

MONTANA: Fisher, otter, muskrat, mink, raccoon, fox, Nov. 1-Apr. 30. Beaver, marten, no open season. Other fur and predatory animals, no close season. It is unlawful to kill beaver except when doing damage to own land under special permit from the State game warden. Season closed on marten until opened by commission.

NEBRASKA: Muskrat, otter, mink, fox, Nov. 16-Mar. 1. Raccoon, opossum, Nov. 1-Feb. 15; Beaver, Nov. 1-Jan. 31; Other fur animals, no close season. Fur animals, except beaver, may be taken at any time necessary for the protection of property. Beaver damaging property may be killed on own land from Aug. 1-Oct. 31, and under a permit from chief game warden may be killed at any time but such killings must be reported to State department of agriculture.

NEVADA: Beaver, otter, Jan. 1, 1930. Bear, raccoon, marten, fisher, mink, skunk, fox, Nov. 15-Mar. 15. Beaver doing damage to property may be trapped under authorization from the board of county commissioners, and skins turned over to such board.

NEW HAMPSHIRE: Sable, otter, fisher, mink, marten, muskrat, skunk, fox (see exception), Nov. 1-Feb. 28. Exception: In Carroll, Coos, and Grafton Counties, Oct. 10-Feb. 28. Raccoon, Nov. 1-Dec. 31. Beaver, no open season. Other fur animals, no close season. Fur or predatory animals may be killed at any time when destroying domestic animals or fowls. Muskrats may also be taken from the waters of the Connecticut River during March. Raccoons and foxes may also be taken by use of dog and gun during October.

NEW JERSEY: Skunk, mink, muskrat, otter, Nov. 15-Mar. 15. Raccoon, Oct. 1-Dec. 15. Beaver, no open season. Other fur animals, no close season. Muskrats may be killed at any time by owner of canal or dam which they are destroying. Foxes may be hunted with hounds and firearms in daylight from Nov. 10-Apr. 30, except during open season for deer (Dec. 17-21). Killing of fox must be reported to commissioners or county warden within 48 hours.

NEW MEXICO: Beaver, no open season. All other fur animals, no close season. When destroying property beaver may be killed under permit from State game and fish warden.

NEW YORK: Bear, Oct. 15-Nov. 15. Mink, sable, Nov. 10-Mar. 15; Skunk Nov. 10-Feb. 10 Muskrat (see exception) Dec. 1-Mar. 31. Exception: In Clinton, Essex, Franklin, Hamilton, Jefferson, Lewis, St. Lawrence, Warren, and Washington Counties and that portion of Herkimer County north of the towns of Ohio and Russia Dec. 1-Apr. 20. Raccoon (in Orleans County, no open season), Nov. 10-Feb. 10. Beaver, no open season. If injuring property, skunks may be taken at any time and in any manner. In sections of State designated by conservation commission, beaver may be trapped Mar. 1-Mar. 31. Otter, fisher, fox, no close season. Limit, one bear a season.

NORTH CAROLINA: More than half the 100 counties in the State have local laws relating to fur animals. Information regarding open seasons, license requirements, and trapping and hunting restrictions in the various counties may be obtained from the Legislative Reference Librarian, Raleigh.

NORTH DAKOTA: Mink, Nov. 16-Apr. 14. Muskrat, Jan. 10-Mar. 10. Beaver, otter, no open season. Other fur animals, no close season. Mink may be killed at any time to protect one's own property.

OHIO: Raccoon, fox, skunk, opossum, Nov. 15-Feb. 1. Mink, Nov. 15-Mar. 1. Muskrat in Lake Erie Trapping District, Dec. 1-Mar. 15; in Inland Trapping District, Nov. 15-Mar. 1. Other fur animals, no close season. (Lake Erie Trapping District includes Lake Erie and waters, lands, and marshes adjacent to or within 10 miles thereof; Inland District includes balance of State.) Protected fur animals, when damaging property, may be destroyed by owners or tenants of land (except on Sunday).

OKLAHOMA: Beaver, otter, no open season. Bear (see exception) no close season. Exception: In Blaine, Caddo, Comanche, Kiowa, and Major Counties, no open season. Other fur animals, Nov. 1-Mar. 1.

OREGON: Mink, otter, fisher, marten, muskrat, raccoon, Nov. 1-Feb. 28. Beaver, west of Cascades (except in Coos, Curry, Jackson, and Josephine Counties, and east of a line through town of Scottsburg in Douglas County and south of Portland-Astoria highway, in Clatsop and Columbia Counties, no open season), east of Cascades in Crook, Deschutes, Jefferson, Klamath, and Lake Counties only, Dec. 1-Feb. 28. Bear in Jackson, Josephine, and Klamath Counties - no close season elsewhere, Nov. 1-Nov. 30. Other fur animals, no close season. Beavers doing damage may be killed on own or leased property, but such killing must be reported in writing to the commission. Other fur animals damaging property may be killed under permit of State game warden, but skins of animals so taken must be delivered to the State commission for disposition. Unlawful to trap beaver in national forests.

PENNSYLVANIA: Bear (over one year old) Nov. 10-Dec. 15. Raccoon, Oct. 1-Jan. 15. Muskrat, skunk, mink, otter, opossum, Nov. 1-Feb. 28. Fox, wild cat, weasel, no close season; Beaver, no open season. Fur animals may be killed or captured alive by landowners or tenants, and their employees at any time to protect their growing crops. Bears may be killed at any time in defense of person or property. Limit, one bear a season, 4 to a camp or body of men.

PORTO RICO: Porto Rico has no wild fur animals.

RHODE ISLAND: Skunk, Nov. 1-Apr. 15. Raccoon, Oct. 1-Feb. 1. Muskrat, mink, otter, Nov. 1-Feb. 1. Other fur animals, no close season. Landowners may kill fur animals on own land at any time.

SOUTH CAROLINA: Bear, mink, muskrat, otter, skunk, raccoon, opossum, fox, and other fur animals, Nov. 25-Mar. 1. Raccoons may be killed after July 15 by the owners of crops that they are destroying. Foxes doing damage may be shot on one's own premises at any time. Trapping foxes prohibited. Hunting season for raccoon, opossum, and fox, Sept. 1-Mar. 1. Wild cats may be killed without license at any time by officers of the law and by landowners upon their own holdings.

SOUTH DAKOTA: Mink, muskrat (see exception) skunk, raccoon, opossum, (season opens at noon and closes at noon) Dec. 1-Feb. 1. Exception: Muskrat, east of Missouri River, Dec. 1, 1927. Beaver, otter, silver, black or cross fox, no open season. Other fur animals, no close season. Skunks and minks doing damage around buildings may be killed at any time, and, under permit from State secretary of agriculture, muskrats or beavers damaging irrigation ditches, embankments, or public highways may be taken at any time.

TENNESSEE: All fur animals (season opens at noon and closes at noon), Nov. 15-Feb. 15 (see exception). Exception: In Dyer, Henderson, and Madison Counties, no open season. Fur animals may be taken on one's own land at any time. Trapping on State property, including lakes, prohibited.

TEXAS: Bear, Nov. 16-Dec. 31 (bag limits, one bear a season). Beaver, otter, fox, no open season. Muskrat, Nov. 16-Mar. 14. Other fur animals Dec. 1-Feb. 14. Beds, nests, and breeding places of muskrats protected, and muskrats may only be taken by trapping, except on own land where they may be taken at any time by any means. Headlight, hunting-lamp, or other artificial light prohibited.

UTAH: Bear, Sept. 1-May 1. Beaver, otter, no open season. Mink, muskrat, marten, raccoon, Nov. 15-Dec. 15 and Feb. 15-Mar. 15. Other fur and predatory animals, no close season. Commissioner may shorten or close season on fur animals, or further restrict the number that may be taken where necessary to afford sufficient protection to any species. When beavers are destroying property, the State fish and game commissioner may grant permit to trap them, but the hides of animals so taken must be delivered to and sold by commissioner who shall recompense for trapping in not more than half the proceeds from sales. Property owner may trap muskrats doing actual damage to dams, ditches, or watercourses in sufficient numbers to insure protection to such property.

VERMONT: Muskrat (see exception) Oct. 25-Apr. 15. Exception: On shores of Lake Champlain in Rutland County, in the waters of Hinesburg Pond, the La Platte River, and the shores of Lake Champlain in Addison County, and shores of Lake Memphremagog in Orleans County, Feb. 15-Apr. 30. Mink, otter, marten, fisher, skunk (see exception), Oct. 25-Feb. 15. Exception: Mink and otter on shores of Lake Champlain in Rutland County, Poultney River below Carver Falls, and shores of Lake Memphremagog in Orleans County, Jan. 1-Apr. 30. Raccoon, fox, Oct. 15-Feb. 15. Beaver, no open season. Fur animals may be killed at any time to protect one's own property.

VIRGINIA: All fur animals (see local laws), Dec. 1-Mar. 31. Amelia, Brunswick, Charlotte, Chesterfield, Franklin, Lunenburg, Nottoway, Tazewell, and Washington Counties: All fur animals, Sept. 16-Mar. 15. Albermarle, Amherst, Nelson, Orange, and Spotsylvania Counties: Fox (trap) Nov. 1-Nov. 30. Charles City, Essex, James City, New Kent, Warwick, and York Counties: Muskrat, Dec. 15-Mar. 31. Campbell, Culpeper, Henry, Pittsylvania, and Rappahannock Counties: Fox, Sept. 16-Mar. 15. Charles City, Chesterfield, Henrico, James City, and New Kent Counties: Raccoon, opossum, Oct. 16-Mar. 16. Fauquier and Loudoun Counties: Fox, Sept. 1-Mar. 31. Fluvanna, Goochland, and Louisa Counties: Fox, Sept. 1-Mar. 1. Madison and Orange Counties: Fox, Nov. 1-Nov. 30. Patrick County: Raccoon, opossum, Oct. 15-Mar. 14; gray fox, Sept. 15-Mar. 14. Princess Anne County: Mink, muskrat, otter (for profit), Nov. 1-Mar. 15. Season applies to trapping on lands of another, which is lawful only with written permission of owner, which permission the trapper must have on his person when trapping. Landowner may trap or kill fur animals on his own land at any time. Unlawful to shoot foxes. Foxes may be taken at any time by owner or tenant of land to protect property in Fauquier and Loudoun Counties. Written permission of owner required to take foxes on lands of another.

WASHINGTON: Beaver, no open season. Bear and other fur animals (open season fixed by county game commission). No steel trap larger than No. 3 may be used unless a notice in the English language on a large placard is placed above the trap. Unlawful to disturb or remove traps of a licensed trapper. Communicate with county game commission at county seat, or supervisor of game and game fish, Box 384, Seattle. County game commission may remove or kill fur animals doing damage to property.

WEST VIRGINIA: Skunk, Dec. 1-Jan. 31. Red fox, in Brooke, Cabell, Fayette, Harrison, Kanawha, Lewis, Mason, Mingo, Morgan, Pleasants, Putnam, Ritchie, Summers Taylor, Upshur, Wetzel, Wirt, Wood, and Wyoming Counties, Dec. 1-Jan. 31; in rest of State, unprotected. Raccoon, opossum, Nov. 1-Jan. 31. Beaver, otter, no open season. Muskrat, Nov. 1-Feb. 28. Other fur animals, no close season. A landowner, his agent, or tenant, may hunt or kill fur animals on his own lands at any time.

WISCONSIN: Beaver, marten, fisher, no open season. Otter in Florence, Forest, Iron, Juneau, Price, Langlade, Oconto, Oneida, and Vilas Counties, Mar. 1-Mar. 31. In rest of State, no open season. Mink, muskrat (see exceptions) Jan. 1-Apr. 10. Exceptions: In Calumet, Fond du Lac, Forest, Green Lake, Langlade, Lincoln, Marinette, Marquette, Oneida, and Winnebago Counties, Oct. 25-Apr. 1; in Crawford, Richland, Vernon Counties, no open season. Skunk, raccoon in all

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counties south of north line of Buffalo, Trempeleau, Jackson, Wood, Portage, Waupaca, Outagamie, Brown, and Kewaunee Counties, Nov. 1-Jan. 31; in rest of State, Oct. 15-Jan. 15. Black bear and other fur animals, no close season. If beavers damage property, they may be captured and removed under permit and the direction of the State conservation commission; skins of animals that are killed in taking must be delivered to the conservation commission.

WYOMING: Beaver, Mar. 15, 1927. Otter, fisher, marten, mink, muskrat, (see exception) fox, raccoon, Nov. 16-Mar. 31. Exception: Muskrat in Big Horn, Campbell, Converse, Fremont, Platte, Sheridan, and Uinta Counties, no open season. All other fur animals no close season. If beavers damage real estate the owner thereof may kill them Mar. 1-May 31, but must furnish State game and fish commissioner with affidavit showing damage and number killed.

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ALBERTA: Mink, fisher, marten, fox, Nov. 1-Mar. 31. Otter Nov. 1-Apr. 30. Muskrat (see exception) Mar. 1-Apr. 30. Exception: South of North Saskatchewan River, no open season. Beaver, Dec. 31, 1926. Other fur animals, no close season. Lieutenant-governor in council may change close seasons on fur animals. Unlawful to trap fox for export. Unlawful to destroy a beaver dam unless authorized to do so by the lieutenant-governor in council, who may also authorize the killing of beavers or other fur animals when such killing is deemed to be in the public interest. Lieutenant-governor in council may declare open seasons locally on beaver and muskrat.

BRITISH COLUMBIA: Bear (except white or Kermodei bear) in Northern District, Sept. 1-June 30; in Eastern District, Sept. 15-June 30; in Western District (except Vancouver Island, Nov. 1-May 31) Sept. 1-June 15. Trapping season fixed annually by regulations which may be obtained from Provincial game warden, Victoria, B. C.

MANITOBA: North of 53d parallel: Fisher, pekan, sable, marten, mink, Nov. 1-Mar. 31. Otter, Nov. 1-Apr. 30. Muskrat, Mar. 15-May 15. Fox, lynx, Nov. 1-Feb. 28. Beaver, no open season. South of 53d parallel: Fisher, pekan, sable, marten, mink, Nov. 1-Mar. 31. Otter, beaver, no open season. Muskrat, Mar. 15-Apr. 30. Fox, lynx, no close season. The lieutenant-governor in council may shorten the current open season on fur animals. Trapping in provincial game preserves prohibited. Game commissioner may take necessary steps to prevent beaver damage, but no beaver dams may be disturbed between Oct. 1 and Apr. 1. Poison may not be used to capture wolves for bounty.

NEW BRUNSWICK: Otter, fisher, marten, sable, Nov. 1-Mar. 31. Mink, Nov. 1-Feb. 28. Fox, Oct. 1-Feb. 28. Muskrat (see exception) Mar. 25-May 1. Exception: In Carleton, Gloucester, Kent, Madawaska, Northumberland, Restigouche, and Victoria Counties, Mar. 25-May 25. Beaver, no open season. Other fur animals no close season.

NORTHWEST TERRITORIES: Mink, fisher, marten, Nov. 1-Mar. 14. Otter, beaver, muskrat (see exception), Oct. 1-May 14. Exception: Muskrat, north of latitude 64 degrees, Oct. 1-June 14. Foxes, Nov. 15-Mar. 31. Trapping prohibited on Victoria and Banks Islands and in Peel River, Yellowknife, Slave River, and Backs River Preserves, which have been reserved as hunting and trapping grounds native Indians, Eskimos, and half-breeds.

NOVA SCOTIA: Beaver, marten, fisher, no open season. Bear, wolf, wildcat, no close season. Other fur animals, Nov. 1-Jan. 31. Fox, raccoon, skunk, weasel, or muskrat may be killed on one's own inclosed premises for the protection of private property.

ONTARIO: Mink, fisher, marten, raccoon, Nov. 1-Mar. 31. Muskrat (see exception) Apr. 1-May 21. Exception: South of French and Mattawa Rivers, Mar. 1-Apr. 21. Beaver, otter, north Canadian National Railway, Dec. 15-Mar. 31. South to French and Mattawa Rivers, Jan. 1-Feb. 20. South of French and Mattawa Rivers, including Manitoulin Island, no open season. Other fur animals, no close season. Fur animals may be destroyed in defense of property, but skins so taken may not be sold during close season except under permit from minister. Beaver and otter may be taken under permit by resident Indians only. Under special permit from minister or other officer may take or kill beaver doing damage to roads or private property.

PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND: Otter, marten, mink, muskrat, skunk, raccoon, Nov. 1, 1927. Beaver, no open season. Fox, Dec. 1-Jan. 31. Other fur animals, no close season. Beaver may be taken under special license. They may be destroyed by the owner of private property on which they are locating and building dams, and under permits from game warden or lieutenant governor in council, their dams may be destroyed when necessary to prevent damage to property.

QUEBEC: Bear, Aug. 20-June 30. Muskrat (see exception) Nov. 1-May 31. Exception: South of 50th parallel, Mar. 15-Apr. 30. Fox, Nov. 1-Feb. 28, Beaver, otter, Dec. 15-Mar. 31. Other fur animals, Nov. 1-Mar. 31.

SASKATCHEWAN: Beaver (north of Township 52 only) Nov. 1-Apr. 30. Mink, fisher, marten, fox, lynx, Nov. 1-Mar. 31. Otter, Nov. 1-Apr. 30. Muskrat, north of Township 52, Mar. 1-May 14. South of Township 53, Mar. 1-Apr. 30. Other fur animals, no close season. Lieutenant-governor in council may alter seasons. Trapping on game preserves prohibited. Beavers are protected on game preserves and south of Township 53 may be taken only under permit of minister. Minister may authorize the council of any municipality to destroy beavers or muskrats doing damage to highways or other public improvements.

YUKON: Beaver, otter (see exception) Jan. 1-June 30. Exception: South of Artic Circle, Jan. 1-May 15. Marten, no open season. Lynx, mink, Nov. 15-Apr. 1. Muskrat (see exception), Dec. 1-May 31. Exception: North of Artic Circle, Jan. 1-June 30. Fox, see exception, Nov. 15-Mar. 31. Exception: South of Artic Circle, Nov. 1-Jan. 31. Other fur animals, no close season. Commissioner in council may alter seasons.

NEWFOUNDLAND

Otter, marten, lynx, Oct. 1-Mar. 31. Fox, Oct. 15-Mar. 15. Muskrat, Oct. 1-Apr. 30. Beaver, no open season. Unlawful to trap on Grand Lake Caribou Preserves. Governor in council may proclaim open season on beaver in certain localities. Skins of beavers must be forwarded through magistrate to department of marine and fisheries, which has sole power to purchase or export.

MEXICO

Bear, Sept. 1-Oct. 31. Beaver (male only), Nov. 1-Feb. 28. Kinkajou, Nov. 1-Dec. 31. Armadillo, Oct. 1-Dec. 31. Alligator, Mar. 1-Sept. 30. For further information concerning trapping and fur laws communicate with Secretaria de Agricultura y Fomento, City of Mexico, Mexico.

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